(b) Only one so far.

(c) 3 months time has been given for the implementation of the fire safety measures.

Drug trafficking in Goa

97. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the press report which appeared in The Times of India' of the 19th November, 1987 regarding large scale drug running and trafficking in narcotics flourishing in the coastal villages of Barodder taluka in Goa; and

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government is well aware of the problem of drug trafficking in the country and has taken a number of steps to control this which include promulgation of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 which provides severe punishment for persons indulging in drug trafficking.

As per information received from Govt. of Goa it is not true that large scale drug trafficking is flourishing unchecked in the coastal villages of Bardez taluka in Goa. Government of Goa has taken a number of steps in this regard. Police have stepped up their drive against drug trafficking. Special Anti Narcotic cell has been set-up. Vigil on the foreigners has been tightened by the Police.

Assistance to powerloom Industry

98. SHRI BEKAL UTSAHI : Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government provide any assistance to the powerloom industry in the country:

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what is the assistance, financial or otherwise given by his Ministry to the powerloom industry in Uttar Pradesh during the past two years and also the assistance proposed to be given during 1988-89?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) to (c) The formulation and implementation of schemes for the development of the powerlooms in States are being done by the State Government concerned. However NABARD privides refinance both for term loans and working capital to powerloom cooperative societies. IDBI also provides refinance. A scheme for establishment of powerloom service centres is under implementation to provide technical assistance to powerlooms and help in their technological upgradation and product improvement.

During 1987-88, a new powerloom service centre has been opened at Tanda, in addition to the centre already functioning at Maunath Bhanjan. The Uttar Pradesh Coop. Bank, Lucknow, is providing short-term credit to primary cooperative societies for working capital through District Coop. Banks under the NABARD Refinance Scheme.

Lathi Charge on Students of Delhi University protesting against Eve Teasing

99. SHRI SHARAD YADAV:
SHRI RAM NARESH KUSHAWAHA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the recent unprovoked brutal lathi charge on and wrongful detention of about 300 students, including girls, who were protesting against the indifference of the authorities to an incident of eve-teasing and molestation of girl students in a DTC University Special by some students of a college;

(b) whether Government have made any inquiry into the incident; and

(c) if so, what is the outcome thereof, stating the action taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) On 18th January, 1988, some students of colleges in the Delhi University Campus organised a demonstration against the incident of eve-teasing. They blocked traffic on the Mall Road for about two hours. When efforts to persuade them to disperse failed, the Police had to take action to clear the road, 206 Students were arrested and later released. There was no lathi charge.

(b) No such inquiry has been ordered.

(c) Does not arise.

Maharashtra-Karnataka Border Dispute

100. SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government have taken any initiative to solve the border dispute between Maharashtra and Karnataka;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether any final decision has since been arrived at; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) to (d) The Government of India have always been of the view that this dispute can be resolved only with the willing co-operation of the State Governments concerned. The Central Government remain in touch with both the State Governments in connection with their bilateral discussions. Central assistance as required in arriving at a mutually acceptable solution to the problem will be rendered.

Terrorists in Golden Temple Complex

101. SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA:
SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of terrorists are still staying within the premises of Golden Temple Complex according to the Punjab Police Chief as reported in 'The Hindustan Times' of the 20th January, 1988;

(b) whether any efforts have since been made by Government to flush out the terrorists from the precincts of Golden Temple; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (c) The information is being collected from the Government of Punjab and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Hoisting of Khalistani Flags on Republic Day inside Golden Temple Complex

102. SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA:
SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government are aware that the militants inside the Golden Temple Complex celebrated the Republic Day by hoisting Khalistani flags at different places;

(b) whether the fresh map of Khalistan covering the entire country was also recently published by the anti-national elements; and

(c) if so, what is Governmen's reaction thereto, and what further steps Gov-